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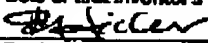
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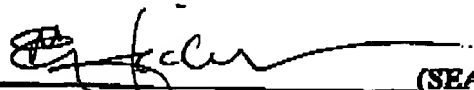
WHEREAS, I, Michael E. Hicks, of 700 Hickory Tree Road, Mesquite, Texas 75149, have invented certain improvements in INSULATED JACKET FOR A BEVERAGE CONTAINER AND BLANK AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING SAME for which I have executed an application for United States Letters Patent as dated below; and whereas, Numo Manufacturing Acquisition Corporation, a corporation of the State of Texas, having a principal place of business at 700 Hickory Tree Road, Mesquite, Texas 75149, desires to purchase the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations paid by the said , the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, I have agreed to and by these presents to hereby sell, assign, transfer and convey unto the said , its successors and assigns in and for the United States and its territories and for foreign countries, the entire right, title and interest in and to said application, in and to the invention therein set forth and in and to any patent which may issue on said application, or any reissue, renewal, division, or continuation of said patent or application; and I hereby bind myself, my heirs, legal representatives, administrators and assigns properly to execute without further consideration, any and all applications, petitions, oaths and assignments or other papers and instruments which may be necessary to carry into full force and effect the sale, assignment, transfer and conveyance hereby made or intended to be made.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 3 day of

March, 1999.

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Date


Michael E. Hicks (SEAL)

**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY
STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) AND 1.27 (e)) - SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN**
**Docket No.
17958.001**
**Serial No.
To Be Assigned**
**Filing Date
Concurrently Herewith**
Patent No.
Issue Date
**Applicant/
Patentee: Michael Hicks**
**Invention: INSULATED JACKET FOR A BEVERAGE CONTAINER AND BLANK AND METHOD FOR
FOR FABRICATING SAME**
I hereby declare that I am:

- ☐ the owner of the small business concern identified below:
☒ an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

NAME OF CONCERN: Name Manufacturing Acquisition Corporation
ADDRESS OF CONCERN: 700 Hickory Tree Road, Mesquite, TX 75149

I hereby declare that the above-identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the above identified invention described in:

- ☒ the specification filed herewith with title as listed above.
☐ the application identified above.
☐ the patent identified above.

If the rights held by the above-identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed on the next page and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who could not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention is listed below:

- ☒ no such person, concern or organization exists.
☐ each such person, concern or organization is listed below.

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Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

NAME OF PERSON SIGNING:

Michael E. Hicks

TITLE OF PERSON SIGNING

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Vice President, Nuno Manufacturing Acquisition Corporation

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SIGNATURE:



DATE:

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